



Clover Class Topic Letter

Year 3

Spring Term 2023

We have two short half terms this Spring and have lots of exciting topics to fit in! We will have our annual visit from Pop Project who will be looking at 70 years of children's books and performing songs from each decade. We also have a visit to a mobile art gallery planned and are hoping to visit the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra in March. We will send more details once the dates have been confirmed.

Mrs Washington

Maths and Literacy

In maths we will continue with our daily calculations focusing at different times on the 4 mathematical operations (addition, subtraction, multiplication and division) depending on which maths group we are in. Later in the term we will also start learning about fractions. It is really important that children continue to practice their times tables at home.

In literacy we will starting our new Talk4 writing lessons. First we will write our own warning story and then we will write a poem based on Kit Wright's The Magic Box. We will continue working on spelling, punctuation and grammar, incorporating these skills into our writing.

At the beginning of March we will celebrate World Book Day in school and have lots of fun activities planned around the theme of fairy tales.

In **geography** we will be comparing the NW of England to the Andalusia region of Spain and then we will learning about earthquakes and volcanoes. In **science** we will be learning about Light and rocks and fossils. We will learning some basic programming skills in our **computing** lessons. To celebrate Chinese New Year we will be **cooking** some Chinese food and practising our chopsticks skills! Look out for pictures on our class dojo page.

For **PE** we will be swimming on Wednesday mornings. We will also be learning balance and agility skills as well learning how to play tag rugby.

PE: We will be swimming on Wednesday mornings during the Spring term. A separate note will be sent out detailing what the children need for the swimming lessons. Our school-based PE lesson will be on Fridays. Please make sure that the children wear their PE uniform to school on Wednesdays and Fridays.

Homework: Homework will be sent home every Friday and should be returned to class by the following Wednesday. It is also suggested that that year 3 children spend 15-20 minutes each night learning times tables and reading.

Book Bags: Book bags need to come into schools **every day**. The bag should contain their current reading book and a reading record. We also have lots of books in school which children can also take home to read.

Water Bottles: Children must have a water bottle in school to help keep them hydrated throughout the day.

School App/ Class Dojo: We encourage parents to download the School app (PA Connect) and Class Dojo on their phones—both are free and keep you up to date with everything going on at school.